## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Lowell L. Winger et al.

Serial No.: 10/624,253

Title: METHOD AND/OR CIRCUIT FOR BINARY ARITHMETIC

DECODING DECISIONS BEFORE TERMINATION

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In Response To: Office Action mailed June 4, 2009

## AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: